Amendment No. 1 to HB1283

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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-10-116, is amended by deleting subsection (a) and substituting instead the following:

- (1) If, during the course of arresting, transporting, or processing a person charged with the commission of a criminal offense, a law enforcement officer is exposed to the blood or other body fluid of the arrested person in any manner that presents a significant risk of transmission of the hepatitis virus or the HIV/AIDS virus, then the exposed officer may request that the arrested person's blood be tested for the presence of the hepatitis virus and the HIV/AIDS virus, and such test shall be administered if requested.
- (2) If, during the course of receiving, analyzing, or transporting the blood or other body fluid of any person who has been arrested and charged with a criminal offense, an employee of any of the Tennessee bureau of investigation's crime laboratories is exposed to the blood or body fluid in any manner that presents a significant risk of transmission of the hepatitis virus or the HIV/AIDS virus, then the exposed employee may request that the arrested person's blood be tested for the presence of the hepatitis virus and the HIV/AIDS virus, and such test shall be administered if requested.
- (3) If, while acting in the scope of duty, a firefighter, emergency medical technician-paramedic, or emergency medical technician is exposed to the blood or other body fluid of an arrested person in any manner that presents a significant risk of transmission of the hepatitis virus or the HIV/AIDS virus, then the exposed individual

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SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-10-116, is further amended by adding the following new subsection:

(c) As used in this section, "law enforcement officer" includes an employee of any of the Tennessee bureau of investigation's crime laboratories, firefighter, emergency medical technician-paramedic, or emergency medical technician; provided, however, that nothing in this section shall grant any law enforcement authority to a person who does not otherwise have the authority.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring